

Calling all Teens

Are your kids in grades 7 -12? Do they have a real interest in the law and helping fellow teens learn to make wiser decisions that will keep them on the right side of the law? **Teen Court** may be just the program for them.

"Teen Court trains teens to take on volunteer roles such as Front Desk Coordinator, Court Bailiff, Court Clerk, Defense Attor-

ney, Prosecuting Attorney, Jury Foreman and Juror," said Peggy Calliham, Community Programs Coordinator.

Teen Court hears cases of College Station teens who have committed a first offense, class C misdemeanor, and who plead guilty or no contest and requested **Teen**



Court through the Municipal Court Judge.

College Station **Teen Court** is run strictly by volunteers except for two adult coordinators. Judges are local attorneys who volunteer their time to assist **Teen Court**. Training is generally held each summer right before the beginning of the fall semester in which those enrolled

will learn the basics of **Teen Court** and begin to build skills. Most volunteers spend at least one year serving as a juror before taking on more responsible roles.

Key characteristics needed in volunteers are good communications skills, reliability, and a dedication to helping serve the community and their fellow teens. Additionally,

being available most 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of the month are required.

If you or your teen has an interest in **Teen Court**, we invite you to go online to www.cstx.gov and read about **Teen Court** or apply on line.

For more information, contact Peggy Calliham, 764-3499.

Down Payment Assistance for Homeluyers

If you are considering purchasing a home within the city limits of College Station, intend to occupy the home as your principal residence for 5 years, and your household income is below the maximum income limit (see chart), then you might qualify for down payment assistance in the form of a forgivable loan up to 10% of the purchase price of the home, or a maximum of \$7,500 (or up to \$15,000 for city-developed homes in target areas).

College Station Community Development administers federal grant funds for the purpose of providing eligible homebuyer down payment assistance and homebuyer counseling to low and moderateincome households.

To learn more about the City's Down Payment Assistance Program, contact Gregg Lancaster at 764-3810, by email to *glancast@cstx.gov*, or visit Community Development at 1207 Texas Avenue.

Maximum Allowable Income Limits	
Residents in Household:	Income Limit:
1	\$30,250
2	\$34,550
3	\$38,900
4	\$43,200
5	\$46,650
6	\$50,100
7	\$53,550
8	\$57,000



Mark your calendar

June 3 Sizzling Southwood Summerfest, Southwood Hallaran pool, 2 - 4 pm

Starlight Music Series - Cowboy Mouth, 6:30 pm, Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater

<u>June 8</u> City Council*, Work/Study Session, 3 pm; Regular Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

June 10 - 11 15th Ever Rod Run, 8 am - 4 pm, Central Park

<u>June 10</u> Blast from the Past, Adamson Lagoon; 764-3735

Starlight Music Series - Johnny Dee and the Rocket 88's, 6:30 pm, Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater

<u>June 14</u> Senior Computer Club, 9 -10:30 a.m., 764-6371

June 15 4th Annual Lincoln Center Juneteenth Freedom Walk, 9 a.m., 764-3779

"Juneteenth," Bush Museum Storytellers Guild, 10:30 a.m. 691-4015

June 16 Juneteenth Celebration & Carnival, 5-9 p.m., Lincoln Center

June 17 Lost Lagoon Luau, Adamson Lagoon, 764-3735

<u>June 18</u> Fathers Day, Dads swim free all CS Pools

<u>June 22</u> City Council*, Work/Study Session, 3 pm;, Regular Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

<u>June 24</u> Pool Safety Day, Adamson Lagoon, 764-3735

Starlight Music Series - Live Bait, 6:30 pm, Wolf Pen Creek Amphitheater

<u>June 28</u> Senior Computer Club, 9-10:30 a.m., 764-6371

<u>July 4</u> Independence Day, City Offices Closed, all City pools open. No sanitation collection.

* Broadcast live on Cable Channel 19 and www.cstx.gov

News to know

College Station's "Name That Road" contest asking for suggestions to name the State Highway 40/Greens Prairie Road East corridor (nearing completion in the southern end of the city) drew more than 700 suggestions. The 8.5 mile stretch of highway is scheduled to open in June when three miles of SH 40 are complete, connecting Highway 30 with Wellborn Road and providing a more direct route to TAMU and Easterwood Airport.

Following a review of all suggestions, the City Council selected **William D. Fitch**, longtime resident and developer in College Station, as the namesake of the new road. A total of 107 persons submitted his name, with many describing him as a visionary and truly deserving of the "Mr. College Station" reference he had earned over the years prior to his death in 1997. Special unveiling of the new signage is planned in early summer.

It's a grand old flag, but starting to look a little worn? **Retire your flag with honor.** Turn your American or Texas flag into any city fire station between Flag Day (*June 14*) and the 4th of July. The flags will be given to Boy Scout Troop 60, who will dispose of them with the proper ceremony.

The retirement ceremony is the Eagle Scout project of local scout Hart Nolte Roth and is sponsored by College Station Parks & Recreation. For more information call 764-3486.

Summer Fun is on the horizon with programs scheduled for youth and teens at College Station's two recreation centers and the Larry J. Ringer Public Library.

The Ringer Library offers summer learning fun with the **Children's Summer Reading Club.** The program is free and encourages children to read for pleasure. Children who participate and complete the program will receive a certificate plus a free book. For more information, call 764-3416.

The Lincoln Center offers summer **Boys & Girls Club programs** starting May 30. Activities are scheduled weekdays from 8 - 5 through Aug. 4. A \$30 membership is required, which covers all activities at the center as well as lunch and snacks. Field trips to additional activities such as ice skating, swimming and sport clinics are additional. For information call 764- 3779.

Summer hours at **The EXIT Teen Center** (*serving grades 5 - 12*) are Noon to 8 p.m. on Monday - Thursday; and Noon to 10 p.m. on Fridays, with special hours on Saturdays. Annual membership to the center is \$10, which includes use of the facilities and some outside activities. Other activities are additional. For more information and a summer schedule, call 764-6351.